Per Capita Consumption of Power

†2230. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:
SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that per capita average power consumption in the country is less in comparison to the consumption prevailing at international level;

(b) if so, the per capita average consumtion of the power in India; and

(c) the per capita average consumption in U.S.A., France, Japan, Germany, Australia, England, China and Pakistan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) the per capita consumtion of electricity in India during the years 1996-97 and 1997-98 was 334.26 Kwh and 349.05 Kwh respectively.

(c) The average per capita consumption of electricity at the international level during the year 1996 was 2027 Kwh. The per capita consumption of electricity in U.S.A., France Japan, Germany, Australia, U.K., China and Pakistan during the year 1996 are given below:—

S.No.	Name of the country	Per capita consumption of Electricity (Kwh)
1.	U.S.A.	11796
2.	FRANCE	6091
3.	JAPAN	7083
4.	GERMANY	5596
5.	AUSTRALIA	8086
6.	U.K.	5198
7.	CHINA	687
8.	PAKISTAN	333

Delay in T&D Projects

2231. SHRI VED PRAKASH P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the transmission and distribution projects are delayed by Government while generation projects are given attention during the past few years;

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